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SALMONELLA AND METHOD OF DETECTING
SALMONELLA
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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

Letter to PTO w/ Attachments

Attachments: Copy of Preliminary Amendment filed May 17, 2005; Copy of Office Action mailed December 11, 2006; and Copy of List of References Cited by Applicants (Form PTO-1449) filed on October 12, 2005

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Prior to Examination on the merits, Applicants request entry of the following
amendments.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this response.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 6 of this response.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this response.

